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Auditor-Controller

SUBJECT:

GROUP HOME PROGRAM MONITORING REPORT - GIRLS AND

BOYS TOWN OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INDUCIL-MAHER GROUP

HOME

We have completed a review of Inducil-Maher Group Home (Group Home or Agency) operated by Girls and Boys Town of Southern California, Incorporated. The Group Home contracts with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Probation Department (Probation).

Inducil-Maher Group Home is a six-bed facility, which provides care for girls ages 13-17 years who exhibit behavioral, social, and emotional difficulties. At the time of the monitoring visit, Inducil-Maher Group Home was not providing services for any Los Angeles County children.

Inducil-Maher Group Home is located in Orange County.

Scope of Review

Since Inducil-Maher Group Home is not providing services for any Los Angeles County children at this time, the monitoring review covers basic child safety and licensing issues, and includes only a facility inspection.

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Summary of Findings

We did not note any facility and environment or safety deficiencies at the Agency. Attached is a detailed report of the facility review.

Review of Report

We discussed our report with the Agency's management. We thank the management and staff for their cooperation during our review.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or have your staff contact Mike Pirolo at (626) 293-1110.

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Attachments

c: David E. Janssen, Chief Administrative Officer
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Girls and Boys Town of Southern California Inducil-Maher House 20302 Flanagan Road Trabuco Canyon, California 92679

Phone: (714) 532-2399 License Number: 306002598 Rate Classification Level: 11

I. Facility and Environment

Method of assessment - Observation

Comments:

Inducil-Maher Group Home is located in a residential community. The exterior of the Group Home is well maintained. The front and back yards are clean, and adequately landscaped.

The interior of the Group Home is well maintained. The common quarters are neat and clean. There is adequate furniture and lighting in the Group Home. The Group Home provides a home-like environment.

Children's bedrooms are well maintained. The rooms are clean and orderly, and have age-appropriate personalized decorations. There is adequate furniture, lighting, and storage space. Window coverings and window screens are in good repair. The mattresses are comfortable, and the beds all have a full complement of linens. Children's sleeping arrangements are appropriate.

The Group Home maintains age appropriate and accessible recreational equipment. There are also board games, a TV, and a DVD player. Books and resource materials, including a computer with a variety of programs, are also available.

The Group Home maintains a sufficient supply of perishable and non perishable foods.

Recommendations

There are no recommendations for this section.